A YELLOW FORM OF THE TASMANIAN WARATAH, TELOPEA TRUNCATA (Labill.) R. Br.

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Telopea truncata (Labill.) R. Br. forma *lutea* A. M. Gray, f. nov.

Differt a *T. truncata* (Labill.) R. Br. sensu stricto: foliis magis oblanceolatis vel spathulatis, apicibus rotundatis et obtusis vel apiculatis, et floribus distincte luteis, omnio sine rubro. Holotypus: leg. *Miss E. Huxley*, Longley, Tasmania, 11.xi.1972 (FRI).

A yellow flowering form of *Telopea truncata*; it differs from *T. truncata* (Labill.) R. Br. in the strict sense, with leaves more oblanceolate or spathulate, and with the flowers distinctly yellow, red completely lacking.

The plant from which the holotype was selected was collected from Mt. Wellington, near Hobart, Tasmania and is now well established in a garden of exceptional merit belonging to Miss E. Huxley at Longley, 12 miles south of Hobart. Cuttings and layers have been successfully propagated and established and all produce the yellow form. Seedlings are usually either of the red or yellow form and intermediates are rarely observed. The yellow form tends to flower rather earlier than the typical red form and the flowering season extends from late October to the middle of December.

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